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VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Mr. John Hamill
Office of Regional Counsel
Environmental Protection Agency
Region X
1200 Sixth Avenue, SO-125
Seattle, Washington 98101

Dear Mr. Hamill:

Re: Pacific Wood Treating Corporation EPA ID No. WAD 009036906

In anticipation of our meeting next Thursday, I met with Bryant Adams, who is an employee of Pacific Wood Treating Corporation, and David Newton, who has been employed as a consultant to the corporation. Dr. Adams is a biochemist and has the direct responsibility to oversee compliance matters for the corporation.

It appears that the process of approving a closure plan for the Ridgefield Brick And Tile Site may have become bogged down through lack of communication. I hope that our meeting on Thursday will help open the lines of communication so that Pacific Wood Treating Corporation can close the Ridgefield Brick And Tile Site in accordance with EPA regulations.

In reviewing the Complaint And Compliance Order, the major problem appears to revolve around the ground water monitoring system. There are two reports that have been prepared by Mr. Newton that bear on this subject. I have taken the liberty to enclose copies of these reports for your ready reference. Dr. Adams and Mr. Newton will be prepared to discuss the gound water monitoring system in detail on Thursday.

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Our current plan is to stay in Seattle Wednesday night. If you are available at 9:00 a.m. Thursday morning, please let me know if we can start our meeting a little earlier.

Yours very truly,

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Enclosures

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